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—HARMONIOUS MEETING AT
MEMPHIS—"BLESS ARE THE
PEACE MAKERS."

Statement of Commissioners of the National Baptist Convention, (unincorporated.)

Submitted to the joint meeting of Commissioners of the Southern Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention, (Incorporated), and the National Baptist Convention (unincorporated) at Memphis, Tenn., Mar. 19th, 1918.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

"In love of the brethren be tenderly affectioned one to another; in love preferring one another."

To Baptists now assembled in "Peace Conference" in Memphis, and to all whom they represent; to Dr. J. B. Gamble, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and Dr. O. L. Hally, secretary of the Mediation Committee, Revs. Boone, Barton, Cox, Atty. Atkins, and others of said convention, and to all our churches and brethren every where—Christian Greeting in the name of Him whose we are and whom we survive, we the undersigned, D. B. Gaines, J. W. Hurst, G. W. Alexander, S. S. Jones, J. L. Harding, S. R. Prince, D. W. Bowen, duly appointed commissioners of the National Baptist Convention (unincorporated), beg to submit to the joint commissions of American Baptists here assembled the following statement:

Speaking personally and for those we represent, we respectfully declare our sincere wish for the peace of fraternal fellowship and for the organic union of our two national conventions.

The authority of our commission and the object of our appointments appears in the following preamble and resolutions adopted by our convention in Atlanta, Ga., last September.

Rev. R. H. Boyd offered the following resolution in accordance with a resolution offered by the Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans, La., reported to this body in session.

"Whereas, the Southern Baptist Convention in session in New Orleans, La., in May, 1917, passed a resolution tendering the good offices of Southern Baptists to both factions of the National Baptist Convention, and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. J. B. Gamble, president of the convention, and Rev. Dr. O. L. Hally, an official of the Southern Baptist Convention, came to Atlanta in person and urged the appointment of a like commission or committee from this body to meet with their committee at such time and place as could be hereafter agreed upon. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the president of this convention be empowered to appoint a committee of seven, whose duty it shall be when called upon to meet a committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to confer with them concerning a harmonious consideration of the differences between the two factions of the National Baptist Convention, and to report their findings for the consideration of this convention at its next session."

That there be no misunderstanding we beg to call your attention to the fact we were appointed to meet the commissioners of the Southern Baptist Convention. However, we understood a like commission to our own was to be asked from our sister convention.

We are regular Missionary Baptists, hence we stand for Baptist principles revealed in the New Testament, and it is our intention to be loyal to the Baptist polity made historic through the ages.

It should be known that the province of our commission is only advisory, not legislative, authority resting alone in the National Baptist Convention whom we represent. It follows that we can not form organic union between our two conventions. In fact we are bidden to report our "findings" to the convention.

We insist, however, that the peace of love and Christian fellowship between Baptists of two conventions MUST obtain, and that every facility tending toward organic union should be encouraged.

We respectfully suggest that as prerequisites to the glorious consummation of Baptist unity prayed for and sought the following things must be done to wit:

(a) The articles of incorporation (charter) obtained in Washington, D. C., May 17, 1915, by Revs. C. H. Parish, Bishop W. Johnson, S. E. Griggs, W. M. D. Norman, W. Wilbanks and Prof. M. M. Rogers, is a bar to denominational unity and must be annulled, abrogated.

(b) Lawsuits now pending against Baptists are a barrier to peace and unity and should be withdrawn.

Be it known we are in most hearty sympathy with the denominational movement to establish a permanent National Baptist Theological Seminary and Women's Training School. In evidence of the eagerness to attain that goal we point to the purchase of the Boswell College property in Nashville upon which the first payment has been made. We suggest the appointment of a committee from each of our two conventions to canvass the fields, Memphis and Nashville, that the denomination be one in the field of Christian education.

Our earnest plea to Southern Baptists is that they know our profound gratitude and appreciation of the substantial proffer made by Drs. Gamble and Hally yesterday in open meeting touching our proposed seminary.

It is our wish that the Southern Baptist Convention thoroughly acquaint itself with the denominational status of colored Baptists, that they appoint a permanent Advisory Committee to co-operate with the trustees of the National Baptist Seminary and to give them the benefit of their mature experience in Christian education.

In harmony with the open statement made by Dr. Masters in our convention in Atlanta last September that the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will not give money to any colored Baptist engaged in furthering strife among the brethren, we ask Dr. D. B. Gray, Secretary of the board be requested to mail mission allowances of his board direct from his office to our missionaries of both conventions in due proportion and equity.

Relative to the various boards of our convention, incorporated and unincorporated, we suggest the appointment of a committee or committees to draft regulations for co-operation or a plan of consolidation where such may be deemed wise, their report to be submitted to a convention for final ratification.

It should not be forgotten that incorporated boards are separate and distinct entities in law; that they are supreme within the sphere of their legal status; that no convention or foreign person or organization can command them. Their self-perpetuating and self-determining rights are the guarantee of law, and conventions may not interfere.

There are two national conventions of Baptist women, each having various boards expressive of its work. Both their mission and educational work is distinctive, as with men, though the objective is identical.

We respectfully advise that Baptist women of the National Convention unincorporated delay any plan or method of formal organic union till these proceedings, our plans and purposes, receive final adjustment in organic re-union of the two conventions. This mention is made that our loyal sisters may know their worth and work are most highly prized.

Finally: The fact that Baptist preachers are barred from certain pulpits of their brethren because of relationship to the National Convention (unincorporated) and that corresponding messengers to conventions and associations are deprived of the Baptist courtesy of an introduction, though their standing be regular in their churches and their work denominational, is, we respectfully submit, a hindrance to unity as well as a palpable expression of non-fellowship, we suggest that inter-pulpit services be furthered and corresponding messengers be welcomed as is Baptist custom.

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PATRIOTIC K. OF P.'S HOLD SERVICE

MORE THAN 1,500 MEMBERS ATTEND—COURTS ALSO REPRESENTED—DR. W. S. ELLINGTON DELIVERS SERMON.

More than fifteen hundred members of the order Knights of Pythias, met in the auditorium of the Spruce Street Baptist Church, Sunday afternoon, March 24th, to attend the annual Thanksgiving sermon of the Order.

Long before the hour set for the sermon the spacious auditorium of the church was well filled with those who were anxious to be comfortably seated for the service. The main auditorium was filled to overflowing and many were seated in the gallery of the church.

The Courts of Calanthe and the Juveniles formed in the basement of the church and marched up to the main floor where ushers arranged seats for them. The Uniform Rank led by General Taylor, who was assisted by his staff officers, Maj. Geo. Hall, Col. H. Allen Boyd and Col. Chas. Vaughn led the line of march from the new Pythian Temple.

The lodges under the direction of Col. Robt. E. Gee, followed the Uniform Rank. When the line of march reached the door, Prof. N. W. Ryder, organist of the day, played the "Stars and Stripes" march.

The service was entered into immediately under the direction of Sir J. B. Batte, Chancellor Commander of the day and Mrs. Mary M. Lee, the Worthy Counselor of the day. After ceremonies by the lodges and courts the meeting was turned over to Dr. Master of Ceremonies, Mr. E. L. Kinzer, of Tyne Lodge, No. 11.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the Fisk Male Quartette, assisted by Knights T. Clay Moore and R. E. Martin. Dr. S. S. Caruthers sang the "Holy City" as a final number on the program. Dr. Mattie Coleman made a splendid talk for the ladies department. The feature of the meeting, that captivated the entire audience, was the masterly address of the principal speaker, Rev. W. S. Ellington. This gifted speaker entertained his hearers from beginning to end. The Grand Chancellor, Dr. J. P. Crawford made a few remarks and called attention to the service flag containing three hundred and eighty-seven stars, representing

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MISS N. H. BURROUGHS ROUGHS IN CITY

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A visitor of national reputation was in the city last week in the person of Miss Nannie Helen Burroughs, principal of the National Baptist Training School situated at Washington, D. C. This school is operated under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention and was founded by Miss Burroughs. Miss Burroughs is giving a month of her time to this institution and is attempting to raise \$3500, the amount necessary to put water and sewerage through the school.

On the afternoon of Sunday, Miss Burroughs addressed an audience that taxed the capacity of the First Baptist Church on 8th Ave., N., of which Dr. S. L. McDowell is the pastor. The subject of her address on this occasion was "Pay the price, then clinch your claim." When she had finished speaking the audience gave her a donation of \$37.00 for her work.

At night on the same date she appeared at the First Baptist Church of East Nashville of which the Rev. W. S. Ellington is pastor. The exercises of the evening were presided over by Mrs. M. H. Flowers, President of the Woman's State Convention of the State of Tennessee. Much of the service was furnished by the choir. Prayer was offered by Mrs. B. J. Carter. Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. J. R. Williams. Mrs. B. J. Evans delivered the welcome address, while Mrs. W. S. Ellington in a delightfully charming informal way introduced the distinguished visitor.

Ministers of the gospel and teachers all over the state who advise young men should acquaint themselves with the Young Men's Christian Association program that they may be the better qualified to advise what the Association has to offer. Unless the advantages are known, young men can not be justly criticized for failure to patronize the Y. M. C. A. The term "Y" may or may not have any special significance to young men for the first time leaving home for a big city. Men in their social life should feel that the long felt need which the Association is filling in the life of a modern city. The press gladly features happenings about the Association of news value. All agencies for good must co-operate in directing attention to the good work of the Association, if it is to meet the needs of those whom it is intended to serve.

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Miss Burroughs spoke for one hour on the subject "The Vision Splendid." Much has been said of the distinguished lady's ability as a speaker. She has been rated as the best orator among women on the platform at present, at no time however, does she allow her oratorical ability to overshadow her ability to reason and express those reasonings and conclusions. The platform accomplishments of Miss Burroughs are excellent but the thing that catches and holds the attention of her audience is the message she has to deliver and the far reaching perspective of her vision.

At the conclusion of the address the audience gave her a collection of \$50.00.

During her stay in the city Miss Burroughs was the guest of the faculty and students of the A. and I. Normal and Roger Williams University. She was entertained at luncheon at the State Normal. She was the house-guest of Mrs. S. J. Carter at her home on Gay Street.

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ADVANTAGES OF Y. M. C. A.—LOCATION MOST CONVENIENT SAFE PLACE FOR YOUNG MEN—CURRENT LITERATURE.

The following statement to young men throughout the state, with a few accompanying words to ministers of the gospel and public and private school teachers, is sent forth through the public press:

To whom it may concern: The Nashville Colored Young Men's Christian Association is located on the corner of Fourth Avenue and Cedar Street, just across from the street car railway transfer station. This institution has one specific function and that is to adequately serve young men. The service consists of safe and comfortable lodging quarters; hot and cold water baths, tub and shower; helping to secure employment; current reading matter; standard magazines, daily and weekly papers; good association; business use of telephone; writing desk, pen and ink; postage stamps sold for convenience; attention to health and recreation and safe conduct of the Association Secretary, Wm. N. Sanders who is the young man's friend.

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The entire city was shocked with grief Thursday morning when the news became known that Miss Helena Lowe, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. C. B. Lowe, of South Nashville, had died suddenly while in California. Miss Lowe was born in Nashville and was a member of the young ladyhood had made a host of friends who were greatly interested in her career and who loved her because of her sweet disposition and lovely Christian character. Miss Lowe was a product of the schools of Nashville and early in life manifested ability as a musician. She studied the piano under several very prominent and able teachers while young and finally entered the musical department of Fisk University, where she advanced very rapidly. She possessed a charming soprano voice and took lessons at one of the famous voice studios in the city before beginning her recitals.

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CYANAMID PLANT HAS THEATRE

HANDSOME PLACE OF AMUSEMENT FOR NEGROES—ROBT. E. CLAY DELIVERS PRINCIPAL ADDRESS AT OPENING.

One of the largest theatres in America to be devoted exclusively to the entertainment of the Negro was opened yesterday at the Government Cyanamid Plant at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, as a part of the plan of the management of the plant to furnish its employees with the proper facilities for wholesome amusement. Motion pictures will be shown at the theatre exclusively—the opening bill presenting Douglas Fairbanks in "In Again, Out Again," an Artcraft Pictures will be shown there. V. K. Brown, Director of Community Relations at the Government Cyanamid Plant, has general supervision of the theatre.

Robert E. Clay, a prominent Negro Orator of Bristol, Tennessee, was the speaker of the day, and delivered a stirring address to the crowd that had assembled to witness the dedication of the theatre. He praised the efforts of the management of the Government Cyanamid Plant to make the conditions surrounding the workmen here as pleasant as possible, and told his auditors that they were rendering an important and patriotic service to the country in their work as did the Negro Troops who have died in the defense of their country.

He pointed out the opportunity that was offered the Negroes working at the plant for self-improvement, the high wages they receive, the fine living quarters, and the opportunities for healthful, normal recreation. He exhorted them to remain there, and save their money, and become useful, respectable members of their community. He said: